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FACTS ABOUT WILMINGTON.

The following facts will give strangers some idea of the size, the wealth and the advantages of Wilmington:
Estimated population, 70,000.
Assessment of property, $39,190,237.
Public debt, about $3,000,000.
Tax rate on $100 of assessment, $2.00:
Area of city, 10.18 square miles.
Area of parks, 254 acres.
Number of wards, 12.
Miles of electric railways, 25.
Miles of sewers, 49 93.
Miles of streets, 93.3,
Miles of improved streets; 32.08.

BE SURE AND GO ON THE EXCURSION TO WILMINGTON, Delawae, APRIL 6 and 7, '98

SINGLE FARE FOR THE ROUND TRIP.

Tickets Good on Any Regular Train Wednesday, April 6th, Going, and Any Regular Train Returning April 6th and 7th.

The Committee have provided a first-class entertainment at the Opera House for the evening of April 6th. Reserved seats free will be given to any one presenting their railroad ticket at Opera House by 4 o'clock P. M. Also free trolly ride over the entire city to all excursionists who will stop at 8th and Market between 2 and 4 P. M You are all invited to be the guests of Wilmington on April 6th and 7th.

FACTS ABOUT WILMINGTON.

Steamboat lines, 4.
Literary and similar associations, 29.
Secret and beneficial societies, 163.
Hospitals, 3.
Day Nursery, 1.
Home for Friendless Children, 1.
Home for Aged Women, 1.
Home for Aged Couples, 1.
Home for Aged Colored People, 2.
Home for Colored Orphans, 1.
Female Orphanage, 1.
Industrial School for Girls, 1.
Crittenton Mission, 1.
Public schools, 27.
Teachers in schools, 217.

Good Morning, Neighbor!

We're glad to see you and happy in the thought that you are soon to visit us, for we are quite sure you'll include us in your sight-seeing—if we could transfer a description of our big store and little prices on this page you would say a visit to Wilmington would be worth the expense, to see a store and an assortment of goods that you thought existed only in the largest cities—in fact knowing ones say we are years ahead of the town, but then that's better than being behind, isn't it?

We want you to come in and make yourself at home—plenty of room here—let it be a visit of instruction. We'll not ask you to buy, but if you desire to do so you'll find us willing to sell and then your visit will be one of profit. We can save you money, and in addition to our low prices freight is paid to your station.

Low Prices.
Large Assortment.
Prices Marked in Plain Figures.
Coaxing Methods Not Used to make sales.
Freight Paid to All Points.

M. MEGARY & SON,
SIXTH AND TATNALL STS.
WILMINGTON, DEL.
CARPETS,
FURNITURE,
DRAPERIES.

Crosby & Hill.

We are showing a large and attractive stock of

NEW DRESS GOODS

of every description with many Special Bargains, which the shrewd economical cash buyer should see. Money-saving bargains they are. We have an immense collection of Dress Fabrics, the nicest and newest things from 25 cents to $1.75 a yard.

We are particularly strong in our black Dress Goods stock. The assortment is large, embracing the latest novelties.

Think of a 45 inch Black Henrietta for 25 cents instead of 37½ cents. Think of a good Storm Serge, black and navy blue at 25 cents.

Our silk stock is very full and we think you will find our prices about 10 per cent, under the regular prices

Those Irridescent Austrian Silks at 25 cents are great sellers. Those Changeable Armure Silks at 32 cents are very cheap, and attractive beautiful things in checks, stripes and fancy styles for waists and dresses at economical prices.

We have great value in Table Linens, Napkins, and Towels. Look at our 50-cent Damask; cannot be equalled to-day for less than 65 cents.
We have a magnificent Crocket Spread at $1; match it if you can for $1.25.
Great values in Shirt Waists, Skirts and Tailor-made Suits; the newest and best things thoroughly up-to-date, and the prices very small.
Best values in Stockings, Gloves, Muslin and Gauze Underwear, Corsets, Ribbons, Trimmings and small wares.
A large up-to-date and very complete Lining department.
We give trading stamps in addition to the very lowest cash prices.

Crosby & Hill,
605 607 and 609 Market Street
WILMINGTON, DEL.

A Store for Men and Boys

Everything they wear—Clothing, Furnishings, Hats and Shoes. Big stocks, new styles and popular prices. Five departments: Ready-made Clothing, Custom Tailoring, Furnishings, Hats and Shoes. One low price only plainly marked on every article. Cash buying, careful, personal management and liberal treatment to customers makes lowest prices and satisfactory trading. Big assortment of new spring goods in every department. We can save you money. We will sell you good goods and we guarantee every article to give satisfaction. Stop in and see us. Look through our establishment. Visitors always welcome.

JAS. T. MULLIN & SONS,
Clothing, Hats, Shoes,
Sixth and Market, Wilmington.

SPECIAL INVITATION TO VISIT OUR STORE ON APRIL 6.

You are invited.

We want you and the public to see our stock of goods and get our prices. In order to introduce ourselves to the public we offer the following

10 Per Cent Reduction

on April 6 only on everything in our line.

All kinds of
Leather Goods,
Harness,
Trunks, Bags,
Turf Goods,
Sulkies and Road Carts,
Don't miss this opportunity.

FRANK S. DURE Co
411 Market Street.
408 Shipley Street
Wilmington, Del.
This means $10.00 worth of goods for $9.

China, Glass, Lamps, Cutlery.

Our various lines are very complete. Visitors always welcome. Goods carefully packed by experienced men and safe delivery guaranteed.

You are cordially invited to look. We will be glad to have you compare prices anywhere.

Give us a call.

LAWTON'S CHINA BAZAAR,
611 Market Street,
Wilmington, Del.

KENNARD & Co.,

621-623 Market Street,
WILMINGTON, - DEL.

Every reason favors Wilmington as the natural source of supply for the Peninsula. A visit this Spring will convince you that the most reliable goods in the largest assortments can be purchased here at prices as low and in many instances lower than in Philadelphia or Baltimore.

We have made every preparation in all departments to enable us to attract to our counters our neighbors south of here. At all times can be found many lines of goods purchased advantageously and sold far below actual worth.

We enumerate the different departments, any of which is well worth a visit—

Black and Colored Dress Goods.
Black and Colored Silks.
Cloaks and Suits—
Silk and Cotton Waists.
Domestics.
White Goods.
Linens.
Gloves.
Hosiery.
Underwear
Corsets.
Ladies' Neckwear.
Braids and Trimmings.
Dress Linings and findings.

KENNARD & CO.

The Big Store

AT SEVENTH AND MARKET STS.,
IN WILMINGTON, DELAWARE,

Is filled with the GOOD PHILADELPHIA-MADE CLOTHING, sold direct from the factory to the consumer, at the entire saving of the dealers' profit.

THE CHILDREN'S CLOTHING DEPARTMENT
is worthy of quick attention from all thrifty parents.

Men's New Spring Suits

$5 to $15.

Hats, Furnishings, Bicycles, Bicycle Suits.

N. Snellenburg & Co.
PHILADELPHIA.
7th and Market Sts., Wilmington, Delaware.

Pianos. Organs.

Ho for Wilmington on the Excursion of April 6.

ARE YOU GOING?
Of Course You Are and You Will Not Regret it.

You will see fine stores in every line of business. One of the most prominent among them is the

Large Music House and Piano Warerooms of Robelen & Co.

A visit to this establishment will prove both interesting and profitable.
They will show you a large stock of beautiful Pianos and Organs from the factories of the most reliable manufactures in the country. Among them are:

STEINWAY & SONS.
WM. KNABE & CO.
IVERS & POND.
J. & C. FISCHER.
KROEGER & CO.
SCHUBERT.
FRANKLIN.
WALDORF,
and the celebrated
CROWN PIANOS AND ORGANS.
They are also general agents for the great talking machines.
EDISON PHONOGRAPHS AND COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHONNES with RECORDS AND SUPPLIES.

Their stock of Mandolins, Banjos, Guitars, Violins and Capital and Olympic Music Boxes is full and complete.

ROBELEN & CO
710 Market Street,
WILMINGTON, DEL.

SPRING. '98.
Hats,
Underwear,
Notions, Etc.
Ross, 210 Market St,
WILMINGTON, DEL.
Wholesale and Retail.
Largest Stock.
Lowest Prices.

DUBELL,
...THE...
Hatter,
No. 2 East Third St.,
WILMINGTON, - DEL.
Largest Stock and Lowest Prices in the city. 19mar3m

DO YOU DRINK BEER

If So, Why Not Have the BEST?

THE HARTMANN & FEHRENBACH BREWING CO'S

BEERS

ARE NOTED

For Their PURITY

BREWERY,
Lovering Ave. and Scott Street,
WILMINGTON, DEL.

Both Phones 446.

Depot & Bottling Establishment,
405 Orange St.
Both Phones 351.

Harry Yerger,
The Original Designer
...AND...
PRACTICAL
Picture - FRAME - Manufacturer,
—ONLY AT—
419 SHIPLEY STREET,
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

We have made a contract to frame the monument pictures at a third off price.

FACTS ABOUT WILMINGTON.

Water consumed per capita each day, 80.3 gallons.
Received per year from water rents by last report, $165,407.56.
Total of buildings to which water is furnished 14,448.
Miles of water pipe, 91.15.
Fire companies, 9.
Fire engines, 8.
Hose carriages, 7.
Chemical engines, 2.
Combination hose and chemical engine, 1.
Hook and ladder trucks, 2.
Number of firemen, about 900.
Number of policemen, 83.
Patrol wagons, 2.
Churches, 78.
Steam railroads, 3.

ESTABLISHED 1843.

J. & J. N. HARMAN
410 KING ST.,
411 FRENCH ST.,
Wilmington, Del.

Furniture, Carpets, Bedding.

Up-to-date styles in all kinds of furniture and at Lowest Prices.

We give no rebate, trading stamps or car fare, but you will more than save the difference.

We do not add them to our prices.

Bear in mind that nowhere do you get $1 for 90c.

See our goods and get our prices before buying elsewhere.

E. B. RILEY.

We take the lead in Hosiery, Gloves, Ribbons, Dress Trimmings, Notions, Corsets and Infants' wear.

All the desirable and necessary fixings for the baby are here in a separate department, Cashmere Coats, Reefers, Long and Short Dresses, Caps and Hats, Coach Covers, Sacques, Soft Sole Shoes, Hosiery, Veils, Bands, etc,

We keep the best known makes of Hosiery in Ladies', Men's and Children's at before-the-tariff prices.

One of the most attractive features of our store is the Kid Glove Department. We have a long-established reputation for the excellent quality of our Gloves and, as you all know, the prices are always the lowest.

228 KING ST.,
WILMINGTON, DEL.

New Spring Goods Just Received.

And open for your inspection. A call from you requested

L. HEISS,
Merchant TAILOR,
NO. 4 EAST THIRD ST.,
WILMINGTON, - DEL.
Workmanship and Trimmings Guaranteed 19mar3m

FACTS ABOUT WILMINGTON.

Pupils enrolled, 10,162.
Free Library, 1.
Invested in manufactures, $21,000,000.
Value of material used per annum, $14,000,000.
Value of products, including custom work and repairing, $25,000,000.
Wages paid annually, $8,000,000.
Number of employes, 14,000.

Our Woman's .....Column

NEW YORK FASHIONS.

SECOND mourning in olden days meant black and white or purple gowns. Now the etiquette of mourning is entirely changed. Six months is considered all-sufficient for deep mourning, and in many cases for any mourning, although widows still wear it for a year; and it is quite uncommon to see any one following out the old rule of deep black for a year, then lighter mourning, and finally purples and grays. Second mourning, therefore, now means the period when trimmings and different fabrics are allowed. The mourning silks trimmed with crepe are very smart gowns both for street and evening wear, and almost invariably becoming. The skirt is trimmed with a deep band of crepe, while the waist has folds of the crepe arranged in surplice or bertha effect around the shoulders.

Chiffon and mousseline de soie are permissible in second mourning, and even dull black crepe de Chine. For summer wear the transparent materials are made over silk linings, and the lining is cut low in the neck and without sleeves, making a cool and comfortable costume; no trimming save dull black ribbon and belt is used. Black lawn is effective for summer gowns, and should be made quite plain, with no lace or embroidery of any kind

The question of wearing all-white gowns during the summer season is much discussed and never settled. In one's own home all white is quite permissible, but it certainly does not seem suitable in the street or at any watering-place, even when the skirt and coat style is worn with black shirt. It is best to wear all black even in summer when not in one's own home.

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THE OUTDOOR WOMAN.

It was doubtless a happy reaction which took place last year from the epidemic of bloomers to a more graceful and becoming cycling dress, which included a skirt among its component articles. Most people were well pleased with the change, and the costume now worn by the better class of women riders stands as quite a triumph in evolution. The skirt is six or seven inches shorter than that of a street gown, and this length has been found to meet all requirements as to appearance, comfort, and safety. But I should like to say that there is a little tendency now among a few people to go over to the other extreme, and to wear on the wheel, as is commonly done in England, a skirt of ordinary walking length. Nothing could be more foolish than such a practice, the dangers of which have been set forth time and again in accidents of various kinds. If English Women choose to take such risks, that is no reason why we should feel oblidged to imitate their recklessness. Keep the skirt at the sensible, comfortable, and pretty length, which is at present the most common one, or—mark a prophecy—we shall have a not unjustifiable relapse to the bloomer fever.

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RULES THAT MUST BE OBSERVED IN ORDER TO READ AGREEABLY.

Few persons doubt their ability to read aloud acceptably, but were their audiences induced to speak frankly, the illusion might be dispelled. The first qualifications of a good reader is absence of affection and self-consciousness. Self must be forgotten utterly, merged into the author, whose spokesman and representative one is. Next, it is important, in order to be pleasing, to read in the natural voice, in precisely the same tone in which one would relate the matter.

Nearly every one raises the voice, in reading aloud, to a higher pitch than is habitual in speaking, and the effect of strain is fatiguing to both reader and hearer.

The eyes must move a little in advance of the spoken words, seizing at a glance the author's thought, in order to give it the right expression. A practiced reader will find that his lips and voice will work automatically with perfect correctness, while his mind occupies itself with the sentence following that which is being uttered.

One should endeavor to dismiss the thought that there is anything difficult in reading to others—it is but to tell the story, with the same interest, animation and freshness that one would naturally use in relating anything familiar to one-self, but new to one's hearers. This bars out a too rapid utterance and careless manner, lest the sense be obscured, and the point lost, of wit or argument.

One of the essentials of a good reader is a clear enunciation. No word should be slurred, but clear cut and distinct—without, however, betraying any effort to make it so.

American women are often reproached for their unmusical voices. The practice of reading to others, if one try to be observant of a few simple directions, will have a tendency to mellow the tones, and in calling into play so many more inflections than one has need of for expression in ordinary conversation, the voice is exercised, and cannot fail to grow more melodious.

Nearly all authors read their own works with effectiveness, because their pride and interest being involved, they endeavor to excite the pleasure and admiration of their audience. The reader should so identify himself with the author that for the time being he is his advocate, and should seek to interpret him as pleasingly as possible.

Some readers are mechanical; they have no magnetism, but the lack proceeds from indifference and want of interest, which an audience is always quick to feel. It is a fact worth realizing that the effort to do anything well awakens an interest in its performance.

Finally, it must be remembered that in reading to others one assumes the responsibility of giving pleasure.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

How to Prevent Dreams.

"After a series of experiments on myself and others," ventured an experienced physician to a Star reporter, "I am convinced that many annoying dreams and, which in many instances, rob sleep of much of its recreation and benefit can be prevented, if persons will take the trouble to do so. There are dreams which are produced by an overloaded stomach and indigestion. These can be prevented by not overloading the stomach and taking care, especially in the evening, to not eat that which experience has demonstrated is not easily digested. A fairly filled stomach is, however, less conducive to dreams than an absolutely empty one. I think I can safely say that if these persons who are troubled much by dreaming, will wear extra long sleeves to their night gowns, they will find a remedy thereby. What is even better than long sleeves is to put a rubber cord in the hem of the sleeves so that they will not slip up on the arm. The rubber cord should not be tight enough to interfere any way with the circulation of the blood in the arms, but still tight enough to keep the ends of the sleeves down on the wrists. To the bachelors and others who can not have their sleeves properly arranged, the same effect can be secured by wearing a wristlet on the wrist, or better yet to pull a sock over the hands and pin the leg of it to the sleeves of the night gown. In addition to preventing dreams this simple arrangement will be found extremely comfortable during the cold nights of the next couple of months. A little inquiry will convince any one that those whose wrists and forearms are uncovered, are annoyed most by dreams. The sock used as a kind of extended glove will effectually stop them, but it must be attached to the sleeve of the night gown, otherwise the sleeve will work up the arm and the desired effect be lost. My remedy in brief is, to keep the hand, wrist and forearm well covered."—Washington Star.

Cramps, Colic, Colds, Croup, Coughs, Tooth-ache, Diarrhœa, Dysentery, and all Bowel Complaints.

A Sure, Safe, Quick Cure for these troubles is

Pain-Killer.

It is the trusted friend of the Mechanic, Farmer, Planter, Sailor, and in fact all classes. Used internally or externally.

Beware of imitations. Take none but the genuine "PERRY DAVIS." Sold everywhere.

25c. and 50c. bottles.

No. 033. Made in 54, 48, 42, 36 inch widths.

$2.25 buys this Brass-trimmed White Enameled Bedstead. In stock in all widths; length 75 inches. Has one-inch pillars, two-inch brass vases and caps. This bed retails at from 5 to 6 dollars.

Buy of the maker and save the middleman's large profits. Our Catalogues are mailed for the asking. Complete lines of Furniture, Carpets, Draperies, Crockery, Pictures, Mirrors, Stoves, Refrigerators, Baby Carriages, Lamps, Bedding, etc., are contained in these books. Our Lithographed Carpet Catalogue showing all goods in hand-painted colors is also free; if Carpet Samples are wanted mail us 8c. in stamps. Drop a postal at once to the money-savers and remember that we pay freight this month on purchases of Carpets, Lace Curtains, Portiers and Rugs amounting to $9.00 and over.

Julius Hines & Son
BALTIMORE, MD.
Please mention this Paper.

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CRISIS AT HAND.

The report upon the Maine reached Washington Thursday night and was presented to the Navy Department yesterday and to the Cabinet. The crisis is at hand. The Spanish torpedo Flotilla left Canary Islands on Thursday for Havana and the American navy is gathering in the neigborhood of Key West. President McKinley hopes for peace but the spirit of Congress and the American people is that Cuba's wrongs must be righted at once, while Spain is arrogant and defiant. Before another week war may be delcared or the clouds may have rolled away. Let us hope for the latter.

THAT SCHOOL BILL.

Mr. Henry Ridgely, Jr., the author of the new school bill, has explained the matter to the members of the General Assembly and he has issued an address to the people. One feature of the explanation, which is very objectionable, is the large number of amendments proposed by the author. Since our State has no school system, however, this bill merits the closest examination. We note

SOME OBJECTIONS:

1. How can one set of examination papers be used throughout the State for examining teachers? All the teachers cannot be examined on one day, and a bright teacher examined "to-day" can give much information to the teacher whose examination comes "to-morrow."

2. The control of the State Board of Education is placed virtually in the hands of the Governor. He names the three "senior" members of the County Commission who are members of the State Board. This should not be.

3. Why not permit the County Commission to select its own officers. The "senior" may not preside well nor the "junior" make an efficient secretary. Cut away the machine regulations.

4. If the examinations are to be uniform throughout the State why not make the certificates good over the whole State also?

5. The chief objection is that the "system" does not include incorporated schools. The pupils in the country should be entitled, when the grade has been reached, to enter the advanced departments of the town schools and without extra cost to the pupil. How far can a pupil advance to-day in an ungraded country school? The teacher may lack no qualification for instruction, time is lacking or primary pupils suffer and the incentive of competition is lacking. Mr. Ridgely lacked the courage in drafting his bill to tackle the greatest obstacle to a "State System of Education"—the isolated incorporated school which says to the country "I will have none of you or yours, but I demand my share of the School fund." Any system should unite town and country. The fault has been with the members of the General Assembly of previous years. They let the opportunity of thirty years ago slip by them when the town school was not graded, when the towns had not spent money to improve their schools. Will the members of this Assembly have more courage than their predecessors of a quarter century ago? The writer had the honor of introducing the first school bill in Deloware which looked to a Uniform System. It had no show, even at the hands of the excellent gentlemen who composed the General Assembly of '89.

6. The cost of the new bill is a consideration. There are too many "5 dollars a day" men. What will be the entire cost under the bill? Will the author tell us? The division of the school fund is set forth as follows:

The State Treasurer shall be the Trustee of the School Fund, and shall apportion the fund annually, in the following manner, that is to say: Twenty-three parts thereof shall be set aside for the use of New Castle county; thirteen parts thereof for the use of Kent county, and eighteen parts thereof for the use of Sussex county.

The amounts so set aside for the use of the respective counties, as aforesaid, shall be apportioned among each county as follows, that is to say:

To each new or consolidated District, a sum which shall be equal to one hundred dollars and fifty dollars for every sub-district in the new or solidated District; and to each incorporated District, an amount equal to one hundred and fifty dollars for each single District contained therein, as such single districts existed prior to the passage of this act. The aggregate sum thus appropriated to and distributed among the several Districts in each county, shall then be deducted from the county's share so first apportioned to it, and the remainder shall be divided among the new or consolidated Districts, and the incorporated Districts in proportion to the number of children enrolled in the schools thereof; provided, however, if in the apportionment aforesaid, it appears that any time are enrolled in the school of the city of Wilmington more than ten thousand pupils, the said city shall receive its apportionment of the ten thousand pupils, and for no more.

Provided, however, that the said Trustee of the School Fund shall not pay or distribute to any District its share or portion of the School Fund, unless such District shall raise by taxation for the year an amount equal to to one hundred dollars for each sub-district therein, or, in the case of an incorporated District, for every single District contained therein.

The Trustee of the School Fund, after the apportionment has been made as aforesaid, shall place the amount due the respective Districts to the credit of the said respective District in the Farmers' Bank of each of the counties in which the Districts are severally situated, as now.

He shall then furnish this District School Commissions, or Boards of Education, of each District, which blank drafts, numbered consecutively.

The money deposited in the Farmers' Bank as aforesaid, shall be drawn out only upon the presentation of drafts made payable to the teacher or teachers of the District, signed by a majority of the District School Commission or the Board of Education, endorsed by the teacher to whose order it is made payable.

THE TRANSCRIPT has received from an advertising agent in Wilmington several columns of ads. of Wilmington business men whose special object is to attract the attention of prospective excursionists to that city on April 6th. The TRANSCRIPT believes in Wilmington as a growing city, in her advancement since the growth and prosperity of Wilmington are of interest to every citizen of Delaware not only as a matter of State pride but also in a financial sense as a tax payer. Wilmington pays a large proportion of the State taxes to-day—to grow in wealth and in population and in manufacturies will be to pay more. The TRANSCRIPT had refused the kind offices of the advertising agency in question for reasons assigned but since there is not now time for explanation to all parties concerned the "middleman" is for once accepted and we hope that no advertiser will be disappointed. Of course the Wilmington merchants say "buy at home if you can buy as advantagously"—they say this to the people of Wilmington and hence to all, but they add "if you will not buy at home, take a trip to Wilmington, visit our stores and be convinced that in quality and prices you can do no better anywhere else," Wilmington not only because of her large and well-filled stores should attract the trade of this Peninsula but from her natural situation it belongs to her. The business men in drawing attention to her are acting wisely. A large share of the business of this State should go to Wilmington, when it goes from home. There is enough competition there to make prices right. The live business man courts competition. "I wish Middletown had another store as large as mine" said Middletown's leading merchant to the surprise of many. "Why?" "Because within the limits of reason the more stores, the more purchasers," &c. and the listeners went away to think. In the meantime the readers of the TRANSCRIPT may read our advertising columns, all of them, and think.

A FARCE.

The work of the Legislature has dwindled down to a farce, only the expense of $125 to $150 per day goes on. The Senate weeks ago voted to take a long recess or until the attorneys are prepared with the bills which furnish the excuse for the extra session but the House voted to continue the daily sessions. Here is a sample of many days proceedings as given by the daily papers:

SENATE—TUESDAY MORNING.

Dover, March 22,—The Senate met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Several enrolled bills were reported for the signature of the speaker.

Recess until 3 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Senate reassembled at 3.45 o'clock.

Passed—House bills increasing Delaware's quota of indigent imbecile children at the Pennsylvania Institute; providing for a notary public at Harbeson.

Read first time—House bill relating to the passing and publication of laws (referred.)

Adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

HOUSE—TUESDAY MORNING.

House met at 10.45 a. m.

Prayer by the chaplain of the Senate.

Notices—By Mr. Dempsey, to amend the charter of Newport.

It was decided to discuss the school bill in committee of the whole at 11 a. m. to-morrow.

Recess until 3 p. m.

HOUSE—TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

House met at 3.40 p. m.

Notices—By Speaker Riggin, to amend the charter of Laurel.

Passed—To allow Middletown to refund its debt; to amend Adams tax law.

Adjourned to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Legislature has accomplished some work this week, even though it be in the wrong direction. The Senate defeated the bill to abolish trading stamps in Wilmington and has brought down upon itself the censure of the conservative papers in the State. It is charged that "an attractive woman lobbyist" secured the action on this measure. The Delawarean and Every Evening condemn the action without stint.

The Senate has passed the House bill permitting the refunding of the debt of the town of Middletown. This is of special interest to the tax payers here. The House has killed the bill referred to in the TRANSCRIPT last week, concerning fishing in Drummond's mill pond.

THE Evening Journal is striving to make a political question out of the Dover Bank cases. This is more than contemptible—it is damnable. There is enough of party politics in the Courts without dragging it into the jury boxes to influence jurors. The list of jurors for these trials has been published. They are representative men and should be allowed to hear the story of looting the Dover Bank without prejudice. The editor who would defeat justice by an appeal to party prejudice should be a fit subject for the whipping post.

THE TRANSCRIPT is indebted to Hon. Matford Short for a copy of the New School Bill, known as House Bill, No. 553, "an Act concerning the Establishment of a General System of Free Public Schools." Thanks.

A REPORT to Congress on the military strength of the United States shows the organized militia to number 114,362 and the unorganized men of military age to be 10,301,339. To this must be added the 25,000 of the regular army, or a total of about ten and a half millions.

CUBA'S SUFFERINGS.

The reports of visiting statesmen to Cuba have convinced the most skeptical that it is the duty of this nation to interfere in behalf of the starving Cubans. It is a perplexing problem involving internatial questions, but the inhumanity of the Spaniards demands intervention. Senator Proctor in describing a visit to one of the hospitals at Havana says: "I saw it when four-hundred women and children were lying on the stone floors in an indescribable state of emaciation and disease, many with the scantiest coverings of rags, and sick children naked as they came into the world. And the conditions in the other cities are even worse.' He said in his remarks before the Senate that desolation, misery, starvation and death mark the efforts of Spain to subdue the rebellion in Cuba. Women and children are starving by thousands. Driven from their homes and held prisoners in fortified towns, without food or shelter, these miserable beings present a picture that is heart-rending to contemplate. They are hudled together in huts made of palm leaves, without floors, and with but scant clothing. Torn from their homes, with foul earth, foul air, foul food or none, what wonder that one-half have died and that one-quarter of the living are so diseased that they cannot be saved? A form of dropsy is a common disorder resulting from these conditions. Little children are walking about with arms and chest terribly emaciated, eyes swollen and abdomen bloated to three times the natural size. Death alone can relieve them of the terrible sufferings.

And death is everywhere! Out of a population of a million and a half, two hundred thousand have died within these Spanish forts within a few months past from actual starvation and disease caused by insufficient and improper food.

Senator Gallenger said: "You may sign my name to any picture you may draw of utter wretchedness, destitution and hellishness, in that country. The condition of affairs, so far as I had opportunity to observe it, and I was only in Havana and Matanzas, is simply indescribable. I had not expected to find it half as bad as it is, and I do not believe that any one who simply reads the accounts and does not see for himself can form an adequate idea of the situation. The reconcentrados are wedged into all available places in those cities and are perishing by thousands for want of the commonests necessaries of life. The best information obtainable leads to the conclusion that there have been beyond a doubt a hundred thousand deaths as a result of Spain's brutal policy, and the tragedy goes on from day to day."

Senator Wolcott has added his testimony, his wife having died in Havana because her intense sympathy for the sick and starving was too great for her nervous condition. Christianity demands intervention on the part of the United States.

TO TRY COOPER & CO.

The jurors for the April Term of the United States Court were drawn this week. They will probably hear the cases against William N. Boggs and those charged with him in looting the Dover First National Bank:

GRAND JURY.

Appoquinimink—Benedict W. Hutchison.
Blackbird—J. C. Hutchison.
St. Georges—Sewell C. Holten.
Wilmington—Charles H. Kittinger, John S. Mullin, Julian B. Robinson, Frank W. Pierson, Edward T. Canby, and Edgar L. Haynes.
Duck Creek—William M. Bell.
Kenton—William R. Smith.
Little Creek—Harry Raymond.
Milford—Robert J. Beswick, Sanders N. Truitt.
North Murderkill—William R. Allaband.
South Murderkill—Francis Salevan.
Broad Creek—Ira Melvin.
Cedar Creek—Nicholas Stayton.
Dagsboro—Daniel Burton.
Georgetown—Robert Talbot.
Gumboro—James S. Donaway.
Seaford—Nathaniel H. Brown, William Edward Cannon.

PETIT JURY.

Appoquinimink—Alonzo S. Whittock.
Christiana—William T. Gallagher.
Mill Creek—Bernard Duross.
New Castle—Douglas N. McCoy, A. H. Padberg, David W. Elkinton, John G. King, Frank H. Diehl, Harry A. Dennison.
Red Lion—William A. Jester, J. Thomas Price, Richard T. Cann, Jr.
Wilmington—Thomas Holt, James H. Beggs, Jr., Charles Cannon, Samuel McDaniel, Harry J. Stoeckle, William H. Blake, Thomas Naudain, Colored; William W. Lobdell, Isaac T. Parker, Bernard Bonner and Charles E. Dubell.
Duck Creek—John H. Hoffecker, Lucius P. Campbell.
Mispilion—Jacob H. Graham.
Milford—Nelson J. Pierson.
South Murderkill—William E. Killen.
Broadkiln—Benjamin F. Gray.
Cedar Creek—Joseph E. Holland.
Indian River—Thomas A. Joseph.
Lewes and Rehoboth—Lewes W. Mustard.
Nanticoke—James P. Conoway, Norris Short.
North West Fork—Edward C. Sudler.
Seaford—Isaac A. Kinder.

The First Excursion to Wilmington.

The first of the cheap excursions to Wilmington is announced to come off Wednesday, April 6th. It will be from all parts of the Peninsula, and tickets will be good to go or return on any train. Each holder of a ticket will be given a trolley ride between 2 and 4 o'clock. The day promises to be a glad one not only for Wilmington, but for their Peninsula visitors. Wilmington at the head of the State, is naturally its metropolis, and the Board of Trade wish to impress this fact on the people. The trip promises to be one full of interest.

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KENT COUNTY.

E. R. Williams was Tuesday appointed postmaster at Bowers Beach, Kent County, to succeed Alexander Minner.

Nathaniel R. Leverage is spoken of as a Democratic candidate for Levy Court Commissioner from Kenton Hundred.

The local shad fishermen at Milford, Del., are very successful, one seine gathering in 200 fish at the mouth of the Mispillion.

The receipts of the People's Building & Loan Association of Dover for the year are $47,410.92; expenses $312.11; net earnings $4,154.15; number of shares of stock now issued 2,744.

A pension of $10 per month has been granted to the widow of William P. Seward Felton. The pension of Dr. Dawson, formerly of Kent county but at present a resident of Baltimore, has been increased from $12.50 to $17.00.

Dover M. E. Church which has recently been repaired raised in cash last year $8011.88, subscriptions increased the amount to $11,000. The closing service of Sunday evening was a review of the year's work by reports from the several departments of the church, and a summing up by the pastor, Rev. Alfred Smith.

The buildings on the Boulden place, on the road from Kenton to Downs Chapel were burned down last Tuesday morning The tenant H. C. Moore was burning brush from which it is supposed to have caught. Mr. Moore lost all of his grain and feed and part of his farming implements, to the amount of about 100 dollars.

Principal Gooding of the Conference Academy whose girls were pestered and interfered with in their studies by certain young men of that town giving them candy by rope telegraph, was going to proceed against them for trespass but the boys have apologized and promised not to do so any more, and thus "the incident is closed."

Thursday evening the dwelling on R. L. Cummins' farm on the road leading to Woodland Beach, about five miles from Smyrna, was burned to the ground, but fortunately the wind was blowing in the right direction and the outbuildings were saved. The dwelling was untenanted, Mr. Eyerett, who has been living on the J. A. Derrickson farm in New Castle county, near Taylor's Bridge, who has rented the farm for this year, not yet having moved in. The fire was of incendiary origin, and the loss will be, less the insurance, about $400. The flames were discovered by farmers living on adjoining farms, and every effort was made to save the building but the limited means at hand for fighting a blaze were of no use, and the dwelling was burned to the ground. Mr. Cummins is at a loss to get Mr. Everett a dwelling as he expected to move to this farm Monday next.—Smyrna Call.

MY MARYLAND.

Chestertown has organized a fire department after the heavy loss by the recent fire.

It is said that a Snow Hill, Md., boy has invented a machine that will do the work of six skilled mechanics. He won't say what kind of a machine it is.

William H. Coleman, a representative farmer of Kent county, died of pneumonia at his home, in the fifth district, on Friday, March 18th, aged seventy five years.

The bill enabling the town of Port Deposit to borrow the sum of $30.000 for public improvement has been passed by the Legislature, and will go to the Governor for his signature.

William J. Smith, who was appointed postmaster at Elkton this week by President McKinley, is a well-known Republican leader in Cecil county. Mr. Smith has been Sheriff of Cecil county, and two years ago was a member of the Maryland Legislature from Cecil. The salary of the office is $1600 per year.

Prof. Thomas B. Long, a widely known and successful educator, died suddenly of asthma at his home, in Galena, on Tuesday afternoon, aged sixty-five years. A widow and one child, a son, survive him. Mr Long was a graduate of Dickinson College. For a quarter of a century he has been principal of the Galena public school, combined with the Shrewsbury Academy, and has sustained the reputation of an able educator. He was a man of broad culture, a classical scholar and particularly well read in the German.

His Excellency, Governor Lowndes, has designated Friday, the fifteenth day of April, 1898, as Arbor and Highway Day, and recommends that the day be devoted by the people of Maryland to the planting of forest trees; and suggests to parents and teachers in the public schools that they encourage their children or those under their influence, to plant or transplant at least one forest shade tree on that day, by the side of a public road or about their school house. It is hoped by the observance of this custom to counteract the evil effects resulting from the rapid destruction of forests in the State, and to maintain a due proportion of forest land, which is essential to the comfort, health and convenience of every county.

The Sassafras correspondent of the Chestertown Transcript says: "at the recent meeting of the quarterly conference of the M. P. Church, on Warwick circuit, here, Mr. Israel Gunkel, of Warwick, was elected delegate to the annual conference which meets in the West Baltimore Church the first week in April. The quarterly conference was unanimously in favor of the return next year of our present pastor, Rev. W. W. White. Brother White has worked ardently and zealously in our midst the past year, and has endeared himself to the congregation of his circuit, which includes Warwick, Sassafras and Salem, a charge between Townsend and Clayton. Last Sunday morning he preached an eloquent and forcible missionary sermon from St Mark, 16th chapter, 15 verse, setting forth in glowing terms the church's need of finances and workers in foreign fields."

Cooking and Curing.

Man is the only animal that cooks, and he is the only one who prepares medicine—the only one who makes it before he takes it. C. I. Hood & Co., of Lowell, Mass., are among the best known medicine makers in the country. Hood's Sarsaparilla is having a great demand just now as a spring medicine and blood purifier. The same firm have also published a handsome, handy volume of over 350 pages, with stiff cloth covers, entitled Hood's Practical Cook's Book, which ought to be in the hands of every housekeeper. The regular price is a dollar, but they will send copies to our patrons if you mention this paper, for 25 cents. It is well worth four times as much.

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OLD SUSSEX.

The farmers about Delmar have contracted with Hartford County (Maryland) parties to build a canning factory to employ 600 persons.

The acreage of strawberries in the vicinity of Bridgeville is greater than that of any other vicinity on the Peninsula. A prominent farmer says with a good yield of berries this season from twenty to twenty-five cars of fruit will be daily shipped from that station.

The child of Fred Gibbons, living in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county, is a heavy-weight indeed. It is but nine months old, yet weighs 65 pounds. It weighed 21 pounds at birth. Hundreds of people have driven many miles to see it.

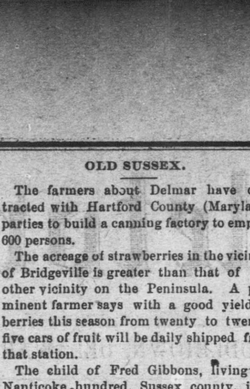
WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, March 21, 1898.

Spring Dress Fabrics

Sorry, but some of the Paris stuffs didn't reach us in time for last week's exhibit. Still, one could hardly have compassed a greater textile display. Enough of last week's favorites have gone to give show room to the new, and so the ever-changing show goes on. No other store in the wide world shows such variety of dress fabrics; no other American retail store gathers elegance with so little of waste.

It isn't strange that on matchable goods our prices are least. And it is equally certain that the absolutely exclusive things are priced in the same common-sense way—cost of direct gathering and fair surplus for the storekeeping.



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French Poplins. The best poplins are in five price grades. Self colors and mixtures. Poplins are leaders in the family of plain woven stuffs for 1898. Over a hundred colorings.

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Welcome Conclave Heptasophs. Meets every second and fourth Friday night in K. of P. Hall.
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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.
Volunteer Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL, MAR. 26, 1898

Of Interest to Farmers

REPORTS ON FRUITS IN GENERAL MADE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

It is a well recognized fact that our Peninsula produces for market as general and extensive a list of fruits as any other section, of an equal area, east of the Rocky mountains. It is a fact equally well recognized that some of these fruits are grown to greater perfection here than elsewhere, and because of this fact, the full merits of many fruits have not yet been fully tested on our Peninsula, for market purposes. Our people are confining themselves too much to a few kinds of fruit, and sometimes overstocking nearby markets with these few favorites.

Our nearness to large and rapidly growing cities makes it safe for us to extend fruit culture largely along any undeveloped line where experiments have shown adaptability in our soil and climate While one man has a fondness for and fancies tree fruits and another is more at home with low growing fruits and vegetables, each style greatest success of man will find that he makes the ard profit with whatever kind of fruit his inclinations and fancy fit him best for regardless of what his neigbor succeeds with, provided his soil and marketing facilities are suited for the fruit he fancies. When the man who has been making a success with low growing fruits, because he loves tha which produces large remunerative crops, in one or two years from planting, attempts to change to tree fruits as a specialty, he is likely to get tired waiting three, four, six and eight years for his trees to begin to give him any return, and before the years for profit have come he is likely to become discouraged, neglect them and call that fruit a failure. On the other hand if the man who has a fancy for, and has made a success with, tree fruits attempts to make a change to low, quick growing fruits because somebody else does well with them, he is not likely to make a success of them as with tree fruits. They require quicker work, and a great deal more of it, and more careful, painstaking work, both in growing the vines and handling the fruit, and before he realizes it his vines are overgrown with grass, as they will not thrive with the slow culture that trees will stand. And like difficulties confront him in picking and marketing his fruit.

So it is wisest for each man to enlarge on whatever kind of fruit his natural inclination and habits fit him best to be at home and happy in raising, provided his soil and marketing facilities are favorable.

Strawberries; queen of early fruits, are receiving more attention now than in the past but no more than they justly merit, being the first and finest fruit to please our taste and fill our purse.

Among black cap raspberries, Souhegan occupies a standard place, with Kansas black cap very promising if at all behind in merit. Miller, among the red varieties is the berry for the future, having qualities superior to the famous Cuthbert.

Lucretia, early and abundant bearer of large, fine flavored good shipping berries, is destined to supersede all other early blackberries now grown here, while Wilson is again taking the place it justly deserves as the best standard blackberry.

The decline of the peach industry in the upper part of the Peninsula is very marked

The unprecedentedly low prices received by our growers for autumn and winter pears during 1897 indicates that they have been very extensively planted, and while the Kieffer heads the list of late ones for profit it is questionable if it has not been planted about to its limit for profit. These very low prices for autumn and winter pears, when the number of pear trees here is so very small, compared with the number of peach trees that have been on the upper Peninsula, is doubtless partly because pears are more widely planted over the country than peaches, but it is largely because the pear is a fruit that cannot be so extensively eaten as the peach, not for want of pleasant, palatable qualities, but because its rich character is such that it requires a much smaller amount of fruit to gratify the appetite.

Under existing conditions greater care should be used in planting commerical pear orchards; not only to discard varieties of low grade, but to plant only on such soil as will produce fruit of the best quality. Some of our orchards particularly of Duchess have attained to an age, or a condition through neglect, that they produce large quantities of very inferior fruit which is of value only to transportation companies and basket factories. Such trees should not longer be allowed to cumber the ground and clog the markets with stuff that destroys the profit on good fruit.

Commerical orchards of winter apples are not numerous on our Peninsula, due probably to a practice at one time of planting northern winter varieties which, to our loss, fell to the ground in the autumn, giving no profit. But by planting our best native winter varieties and such as have been a success as winter apples at the South, there is reason for strong hope that in a few years we shall be able to grow successfully, a fine quality of rich, juicy long-keeping apples in great abundance, not only to supply the home demand and nearby city markets, but the increasing export demand as well, which is opening a promising field for this line of horticulture.

We have little difficulty in growing apples of as fine appearance and as fine flavor as northern grown apples, and when we get such varieties as will hang late, in our mild moist climate, and possess the merits of appearance and flavor that our soil can give them we will be ready to reap a part of the profit from the growing export apple trade which promises to make first class fruit, fitted for that purpose, and properly handled, as staple a commodity as the output of the Chicago slaughter houses or the Baltimore canning houses, with almost an unlimited demand to supply.

The experience of some our growers on the upper part of the Peninsula with the York Imperial proves it to be worthy of extensive planting. Stayman Winesap is making a good record as an early bearer, good growing tree, bearing apples about as large as Baldwin, of fairly attractive appearance, fine flavor and juicy, that hang late on the trees and keep well; but there are no large orchards old enough yet to fully establish its market reputation. There are several other varieties of promise that are comparatively new on the Peninsula that we hope much from in the near future.

Beats the Klondike.

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Best Shelter From Lightning.

Campbell Swinton says lightning is most apt to strike projecting objects—for example, a tree. On that principle you ought to keep clear of trees just as you would keep clear of a haystack. Similarly, if you are in a flat space—take a farmer's field—you should make yourself as little an object as possible. If everything is level, you yourself become the projective point which may attract the lightning. Therefore, lie down flat on the ground, or, even better, get into a hole.

"A person who took shelter in a hole," Campbell Swinton continued, "would be absolutely safe, I should think. Even if lightning were to strike the ground near by, its power would scatter so much that he would hardly be likely to come to harm. Then if you are in a house while a thunder storm is raging, the safest shelter would be in the cellar—that is, far away from the objective parts of the building. For myself, I am rather skeptical how many folks would care to crawl into a hole or plunge into a cellar. You see, the risk to life and limb in England from lightning is very small indeed—so small that the average man would ron it rather than disturb himself."

"I suppose the idea which you have indicated to me explains the damage that factory chimneys and the chimneys of dwelling houses occasionally sustain from lightning?

"Just so. They are a point of attraction. Not only that, but there must be an additional attraction in the column of warm air which arises from chimney when a fire is burning beneath it. I once saw a chimney struck by lightning and smoke had been issuing from it. There were various neighboring chimneys but, so far as I could make out, none of them was active. The incident occured while I was sitting in the Wellington Club, and the damaged chimney belonged to a house on the other side of Grosvenor Crescent.

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Washington ... Letter

HERE is no cooler man in Washington than President McKinley, although his is the greatest individual responsibility in deciding what action shall be taken upon the report of the Naval Court of Inquiry. That report will probably be received in a day or two, certainly this week. Opinion differs as to whether the report will be at once sent to Congress and made public. Senator Chandler, whose relations with the President are such that his opinion is as good as that of any other man, said: "It is barely possible that the character of the document may be such as to render it inexpedient to give it out until Congress can be gradually made aware of its contents. If, for instance, it indicates beyond doubt the official cupability of the Spaniards in connection with the Maine disaster, it would not be wise to place Congress in immediate possession of the facts officially, for fear that war would be declared instantaneously, and without due regard for all the conditions." One thing is certain, Congress and the public will have the report at the earliest moment it can be given out without detriment to public interest.

Another certainty is, that President McKinley will not allow himself to be influenced by any of the numerous stories as to what European nations may think that he should do but will act solely in the interest of the national honor of U. S., without regard to probable approval or disapproval of his action by any European power or powers. The Maine was our ship, the Court that made the investigation and report was composed of our Naval officers, and it is our affair to take what action we please upon that report, and we are going to do it. This isn't spreadeagleism, but plain everyday patriotism, which is shared by every American whose heart is in the right place.

Congress and the country will be furnished an itemized statement showing every cent expended from that special $50,000,000 emergency appropriation, President McKinley having directed the preparation of a special form of requisition for these funds, which must be signed by the President himself before they can be honored, and the opening of a special emergency account in the books of the Treasury.

The gun-shop in the Washington Navy Yard reminds old-timers of the war time activity in the same yard, but upon a different class of work. During the war this was strictly a Navy Yard; now it is only a Navy Yard in name, its principal work being the making of guns—some of the finest in the world have been and are being made here, mountings, and ammunition for the Navy. Not a minute is now being lost in the Yard, one of three eight-hour shifts of men being continuously at work.

By far the ablest and most interesting paper the government has recently published is the report of 1897 of Hon. A. P. Greeley, Acting Commissioner of Patents. A synopsis has been printed in some of the newspapers, but, owing perhaps to so much war news, its so incomplete as to give very little idea of what this valuable document, which will be translated and read by thousands abroad, contains; it must be read as a whole to be appreciated. Inventors, patentees, manufactures, capitalists, and publicists, who wish to understand the greatness of American industry and how indissolubly it is associated with the patent system of the U. S., should read this pamphlet, which may be obtained free by addressing a request for it to the commissioner of Patents, Washington, D. C.

The three commissioners appointed by the Cuban Cabinet to act with the Spanish Minister in negotiating a reciprocity treaty with this country were presented to Secretary Sherman to-day, by the Spanish Minister, and later they called Hon. John A. Kasson, who has charge of the interests of this country in all reciprocity negotiations. They expressed an anxiety to proceed at once with the treaty, but it is not probable that any material progress will be made until it becomes a little clearer that it will be worth while to make such a treaty. If we are to have war with Spain, there will be no such treaty negotiated, and if we recognize the independence of Cuba, we should thereby officially declare that Spain had nothing more to do with Cuba. These commissioners may be entirely honest in their intentions, but the administration has not forgotten Senor de Lome's advice that these negotiations be pressed as a blind, nor the statement made on the floor of the Senate a few days ago by Senator Proctor, showing the weakness in Cuba of the so-called government that these Commissioners represent. In plain English these Commissioners are being treated with every courtesy due them, but they are not throwing any sand in your Uncle Samuel's eyes.

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SAVED BY THE GIRAFFE.

"A man never can tell when his luck is going to strike him, or in what shape it is going to strike him," said the old circus man to a New York Sun reporter. "Here we'd been going along though the country to poor business for a week, not making money enough to buy hay for the animals, when one day something happened that filled the whole countryside with talk about us and brought more people to the show than we had room for, and it was the simplest little no-account thing you ever heard of, which just shows, too, how generously the people respond if you happen to catch their fancy.

"There was a small boy up a tree alongside his father's house on a country road after a bird's nest. He crept out further and further on the branch that the nest was on, which extended well over the house. You've often seen such trees no doubt. Just as he was reaching out for the nest when he'd finally got within reach of it, his grip slipped and away he went, not on the roof, or down on the ground, but, by snakes! down the kitchen chimney exactly over which he happened to be at the time he lost his hold. There was a rattling of soot on the pipe of the stove in the kitchen below that told the farmer's wife and the hired girl that there was something the matter in the chimney and the moaning that came from there presently told them what it was. And the farmer himself was away in a distant field, and there didn't seem to be a ladder in the country.

"At the time when the small boy was creeping further and further out on the limb of the tree there was coming along the road, bound for town where it was to show next, a circus. That was our circus, and it so happened that the head of the column, reached the farm house just as the farmer's wife and the hired girl rushed out into the road. The old man was riding at the head of the column, as he always did. He rode up instantly, of course, to the front of the house and asked the lady what was the matter, and she told him as well as she could in her excitement.

"Our old man was a man that knew an opportunity when he saw it, which is a great gift.

"'Madam', he said, in his most polite manner, 'give yourself no further uneasiness. We'll get the youngster out without the slighest injury,' and wheeling his horse he says to me:

"'Bill, bring up the giraffe.'

"That was when we had the great eighteen-foot giraffe, and on the road the giraffe cage was always about the middle of the column. We hurried back and got the giraffe out and up to the front as soon as we could, and alongside the extension that the kitchen was in. There wasn't the slightest danger to the boy. It was the middle of summer and they were burning wood in the stove, and the middle of the morning and the fire was out, but of course the boy's situation seemed dreadful all the same.

"Well, we got the giraffe alongside the house and the old man talked to him, and I'm blessed if he didn't seem to understand, and he crooks his long neck over the top of the chimney and dips down into it, and in a minute he raises his head again out of the chimney, lifting the boy with him, his teeth gripping in the boy's coat collar.

"That's all there was to it. But just as the giraffe was lifting the boy clear of the top of the chimney, the boy's father was coming tearing across the home lot. There was some of the neighbors gathered around by this time and there was the circus men standing around, and the cages halted along the road, and when the big giraffe bent his long neck and placed the rescued youngster in his mother's arms, the old man, who was sitting on his horse in front, took off his hat, so that, simple as it all was, it made quite a little tableau after all.

"When we showed that afternoon the tent wouldn't hold the people, and it was the same at night. It seems that the boy was a handsome and clever boy, that everybody liked, and so the rescue was all the more popular. Of course, the old man sent the whole family tickets, and he got 'em to let the chap ride around the ring on the giraffe's back. Did that get 'em? Humph! It was a month before the people in that part of the country stopped talking about how the giraffe rescued the boy from the chimney."

"Are you one of the strikers?" asked the woman at the door. "Yes, mum. I'se a a poineer in the movement. I struck thirty years ago, and I've never give in yet."

"What is your idea of fame?" "Fame? Well, in the finest phase, I think it is the incredulous surprise which a man's home folks exhibit when he does anything noteworthy."

She—"Do you remember, Frank, the night you proposed to me, I hung my head and said nothing?" He—"Do I remember? Well, I should rather say I did! It was the last time I saw you act so!"

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HEROIC LIFE SAVERS.

At a dinner of the Quill Club in New York Major Horace L. Piper, Assistant Superintendent of the United States Life Saving Service, told these stories of heroic rescues:

"In the first dull gray of morning, on January 20, 1892, there were discovered by the aid of strong glasses from the gallery of the Sankaty Lighthouse, on Nantucket Island, the top masts of a vessel just above the horizon in the direction of the Rose and Crown shoals. Word was sent to the captain of the life-saving station near by. You must know that the Rose and Crown shoals is one of the most dangerous places on the globe, and over fifteen miles from land. A twenty-three-foot surf boat was run out and manned by a crew of seven men. The partings were short between the men and their families. Away flew the little boat; they could not see the ship. They must find it. The thermometer registered twenty degrees below freezing point. After long hours of search they found the wreck with seven half-frozen men clinging to the rigging. They had been there for fifteen hours in the pelting rain and sleet. There were seven in the boat. Could she carry seven more? There was no debate in the mind of Walter Chase on that point. She must carry them.

"The boat was made fast to the wreck, and then a panic arose among the shipwrecked men. They grabbed the rope that held the lifeboat alongside and attempted to pull it closer, so that they could all jump in at once. That meant the capsizing of the boat and death to all. "Hands off!" cried Walter Chase, as he took out his gleaming sheath knife. 'Now, if another man lays a finger on that line, I'll cut it and leave you to your fate. I am master here, and you will obey my commands.' At last all were aboard, and then the homeward struggle began. Three hours' hard work found them only one mile away from the shoals. Another start was made, and at 10 o'clock at night it was no longer possible to keep headway, and down went the anchor once more. For seven more weary hours they swung at the bending oars. When the brave fellows reached the station after thirty-six hours of toil the first person to greet the stalwart keeper was his aged mother. Did you save them all, Walter?' 'Ay, mother, all, thank God!" said the keeper, as he embraced her. He then turned to his men and said, 'Well, boys, let's get the house in order and start out the patrol,' thus coming from the heights of heroism down to the dull routine of duty.

"In closing let me tell you one of the most remarkable cases recorded in the annals of the world. It occurred on Lake Superior in November, 1886 On the morning of the 18th day of that month two ghostly figures, which proved to be two ships in distress, were discovered off the town of Marquette, Mich. The storm was one of extreme intensity, having destroyed the lighthouse tower on the breakwater during the night, and was still raging with relentless fury. There was no life-saving station at Marquette. The people in the neighborhood devoted the whole day trying to rescue the forlorn mariners. Boats, steam tugs, mortars and life lines all had failed. Night came. There was no hope in Marquette, none. The nearest life saving station was at Ship Canal, 110 miles away. A telegram was sent thither at 8 o'clock at night, telling of the situation and asking, 'Can you help us?' The answer from the captain of the crew was, 'Ay, we come.' A special train, with a brave engineer at the throttle, left Ship Canal with the crew and their apparatus on board. The track was cleared, and it fairly flew over the distance to Marquette. Before the midnight hour the crew was at the scene of the wreck, and, after eight hours' battling with the storm, they safely landed the two crews of twenty-four persons."

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On and after January 17th 1897, train will leave as follows:

SOUTHWARD.

	PAS. A. M.	EXP. A. M.	PAS. P. M.	MAIL P. M.	MAIL P. M	
Philadelphia	$7.25	‖10.20	$2.02	$3.46	$5.59	‖11.10
Baltimore	6.25	9.05	‖2.05	3.00	5.00	7.52
Wilmington	8 13	11.04	2.51	4.27	6.55	11.56
Farnhurst	f 8.22		f 3 00		f 7.04	
New Castle	8 27	f 11.21	3.05	4.39	7.09	
State Road	f8.33		f 3.10		7.14	
Bear	f8.38		f 3.15	f 4.49	7.19	
Porter	8.45		f 3.20	4.52	7.25	
Kirkwood	8.50		f 3.25		7.30	
Mt. Pleasant	8.59		f 3.34		f 7.38	
Armstrong	f 9.03				7.42	
Middletown	9.08	11.50	3.43	5.18	7.48	12.39
Townsend	9.17		3.52	5 28	7.56	
Blackbird	f 9.22		f 3.58		f 8.01	
Gr'n Spring	f 9.27		f 4 07		f8.07	
Clayton	9 33	12 07	4.13	5.42	8.13	12.57
Smyrna, LV	9.23	11.57	4.02	5 20	8.03	
Brenford	f9.38		f 4.18		f8.18	
Cheswold	f9.43		f 4.23		f 8.24	
Dupont			f 4.26			
Dover	9.58	12.23	4.32	5.59	8.34	1.16
Wyoming	10.05	f12.29	4.39	6.06	8.40	a 1.24
Woodside	f10 11			f 6.11	f8.47	
Viola	f10.15			f 6.15	f8.51	
Felton	10 20	f12.40		6.20	8.56	a 1.38
Harrington	10 34	12.53		6.33	9.07	1.50
Farmington	f10 42	a 1.00		f 6.41	f 9.15	
Greenwood	f10.50	f 1 08		f 6.49	f 9 23	
Bridgeville	10.58	f 1.16		6 56	9.31	a 2.14
Cannons	f11 03			f 7 01	f 9.36	
Seaford	11 13	1.27		7.10	9 45	2.36
Laurel	11.23	f 1.37		7.19	9.55	a 2.38
Delmar	11.33	1.46		7.29	10 05	2.50
	a m.	a. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m

NORTHWARD.

	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. P. M.	PAS P. M
Delmar	11.08		7.00	8.00	2 15	3.30
Laurel	f 11		7.11	8.10	2.25	3.41
Seaford	1.34		7.23	8.24	2.25	3.56
Cannons			f 7.31	f 8.31		f 4 04
Bridgeville	f 1.48		7.37	8.37	f 2.46	4.11
Greenwood			f7.45	f 8.45	f 2.54	f 4.19
Farmington			f 7.53	f 8.53		f 4.27
Harrington	2.22		8.05	9 06	3.08	4:40
Felton	f 2.33		8.14	9.16	f 3.18	4:49
Viola			f8.18	f 9.20		f 4:53
Woodside			f8.22	f 9.24		f 4:57
Wyoming	p2:46	10 57	f8.29	9.31	f 3 30	5:05
Dover	2.52	7.03	8 35	9.38	3.36	5:11
Dupont		f7 08				
Cheswold		f7.13		f 9.48		f 5:0
Brenford		f7.18		f 9.53		f 5:25
Smyrna, LV		7.14	8.42	9 45	3 44	5:2
Clayton	3.09	7.24	8.53	9 59	3.54	5:0
Gr'n spring		f7.32				f 5:37
Blackbird		f7.34		f10.08		f 5:43
Townsend		7 30	9 06	10 13	4.07	5:49
Middletown	3.30	7.50	9 15	10.23	4.16	5:7
Armstrong		f7.54				f 6:01
Mt. Pleasant		7.58		f10.32		6:05
Kirkwood		8.03		10.40		6:15
Porter		8.15	9 34	10.46	4.34	6:20
Bear		f8.20		f10.51		6:25
State Road		f8 25		f10 56		6:30
New Castle		8.31	9 46	11.02	f 4.47	6:35
Farnhurst		f8.36	9 50	f11.07		f 6:39
Wilmington	4 15	8.45	9 58	11.17	4.59	6:47
Baltimore	5.31	10 40	11 15	12.40	6.35	8:42
Philadelphia	5.10	9.32	10 46	12.06	5.42	7:33
	a m.	a m.	a m.	p m.	p m.	p m

‖ Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday.

"a" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington and points north, or take passengers for points south of Delmar.

"f" Stops only on notice to conductor or agent or on signal.

"p" Stops to leave passengers from points south of Delmar, or take passengers for Wilming and points north.

"‖" Stops to leave passengers from Middletown and points south.

"t" Stops to let off passengers from Harrington points south.

NEW CASTLE ACCOMMODATION TRAINS.—Leave Wilmington 8.13, 11.04, a. m., 2.51, 4.27, and 6.55, p. m., week-days. Leave New Castle 8.31, 9.46, 11.02 a. m., 4.47 and 6.35 p. m., week-days.

Express trains leaving Harrington 8.06 a. m., and arriving at 6.33 p. m., week-days, run through solid to and from Baltimore, via Porter and Newark.

DELAWARE, MARYLAND & VIRGINIA R. R.—Leave Harrington for Franklin City and way stations 10.39 am week days, 6.37 p m Tuesday s Thursdays and Saturdays. Returning train

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leaves Franklin City 5.50 a. m., week days and 1.42 Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays only.

Leave Franklin City for Chincoteague (via steamer) 1.43 p. m., week days Returning, leave Chincoteague 4.42 a. m., week-days.

Leave Harrington for Georgetown and Lewes at 10.39 a. m, 6.37 p. m., week-days, Returning, leave Lewes 6.45 a. m., 3 11 p. m. week-days.

Leave Harrington for Berlin, 10.39 a. m. week days and 6.37 p. m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Returning, leave Berlin 6.57 a. m., week days and 2.43 p. m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

QUEEN ANNE & KENT R. R.—Leave Townsend for Centreville and way stations 9 22 a. m., and 5.32 p. m., week days Returning, leave Centreville 6.50 a. m., and 1.27 p. m., week-days.

DELAWARE & CHESAPEAKE R. R.—Leave Clayton for Oxford and way stations 9.38 a. m., and 5.47 p. m., week-days. Returning, leave Oxford 6.45 a. m., and 1 p. m., week-days.

CAMBRIDGE & SEAFORD R. R.—Leave Seaford for Cambridge and intermediate stations 11.17 a. m. and 7.14 p. m. week-days, Returning, leave Cambridge 7.0 | and 10.55 p. m. week-days

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